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1. A large percentage of the Soviet troops in Hamburg (11 52/J 39) departed between 13 and 20 April 1951. Troops with artillery pieces, tanks, and motor vehicles were loaded daily at the main railroad station and the eastern railroad station between 15 and 22 April. In addition, troop trains from the direction of Weissenfels passed through Hamburg and proceeded toward Bad Koesen. The owner of a laundry in Hamburg confirmed that about 2,000 troops with 30 T-34 tanks and an undetermined number of artillery pieces of various calibers were loaded on 19 and 21 April. According to his estimate, only about 7,400 troops were still in Hamburg on 23 April.
2. Between 13 and 23 April, the Hubertus Kaserne on the north side of Flemmingerweg quartered troops, most of whom were recruits, who wore red-bordered black epaulets. Officers observed wore artillery insignia. Despite the departure of troops, all windows of the quarters were lighted in the evenings. However, there was no regular training activity. Troop units which departed from the installation by rail toward Bad Koesen were as follows: on 17 April, about 300 men, including about 20 officers, with 10 ZIS-2 57-mm AT guns and 10 motor vehicles on 22 April. [REDACTED]
3. On nine days during the period from 13 to 23 April, no training activity was observed in the barracks installation on the south side of Flemmingerweg where troops who wore black-bordered crimson epaulets were quartered. On 13 April, about 800 troops, including 40 to 50 officers of all ranks, from the installation were loaded on two trains which left toward Bad Koesen. [REDACTED]
4. On 19 April, troops and materiel were loaded at the main railroad station. About 1,000 troops from the Hindenburg Kaserne with 15 motor vehicles towing one artillery piece each, 20 tanks, and [REDACTED]

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Bad Koesen. Two other trains carrying about 600 troops with black-bordered crimson epaulets from the Hindenburg Kaserne left the eastern railroad station on 25 April. The materiel of these troops included 10 motor vehicles towing artillery pieces, 10 tanks, and trucks.

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On nine days during the period from 13 to 23 April, the Hindenburg Kaserne quartered troops who wore black-bordered crimson epaulets. Until 26 April, all windows of the quarters were lighted in the evenings. No training activity was observed, however.

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5. The Bismarck Kaserne quartered troops, most of whom wore red-bordered black epaulets and some black-bordered black epaulets. A few soldiers with tank and artillery insignia were seen. All windows of the installation were lighted in the evenings. There was no training activity. Among the troops loaded at the main railroad station on 19 April there were individual soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets and black-bordered black epaulets who were believed to have come from the Bismarck Kaserne. On 20 April, 50 officers and 30 EN with red-bordered black epaulets and tank insignia left the installation and went by rail toward Weissenfels. Since a large percentage of the troops loaded at the eastern railroad station on 25 April wore red-bordered black epaulets and some black-bordered black epaulets, source believed them to have come from the Bismarck Kaserne. billeting area.

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6. On nine days during the period from 13 to 23 April, the Barbara Kaserne still quartered troops who wore blue-bordered black epaulets. About 50 percent of the windows of the installation were lighted at dusk. No training was observed. the barracks installation.

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